

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. COX: A bill (H. R. 13486) granting a pension to Major Buley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DIXON: A bill (H. R. 13487) granting an increase of pension to William G. Freman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13488) granting an increase of pension to Johnson White; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13489) granting an increase of pension to Roscoe W. Barker; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13490) granting an increase of pension to Frank J. Brolley; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13491) granting an increase of pension to Michael Langneck; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13492) granting a pension to Earl Kelley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GREENE of Vermont: A bill (H. R. 13493) granting a pension to Mary Jedowin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. McLAUGHLIN of Michigan: A bill (H. R. 13494) granting a pension to Irene M. Stanley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. PETERS: A bill (H. R. 13495) granting an increase of pension to Nelson C. Wallace; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WEAVER: A bill (H. R. 13496) for the relief of Stanley Mitchell; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. ESCH: Resolutions by transportation bureau of the Denver Civic and Commercial Association, relating to Government ownership and control of public utilities; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, resolutions by the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association, in its forty-seventh annual convention, approving the purpose of the league to enforce peace; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, resolutions by the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, petitioning Congress to pass a law prohibiting the dumping of sewage and waste matters into the waters of the Great Lakes; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. FULLER of Illinois: Petition of the Illinois Watchcase Co., protesting against an excise tax of 5 per cent on watchcases; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GALLIVAN: Resolutions by the County Galway Men's Benevolent Association of Greater Boston, relating to self-determination of Ireland; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. HAMILTON of Michigan: Petition of citizens of Allegan, Mich., earnestly urging the support of Senate bill 4987 as a measure of welfare to this country; to the Committee on Education.

Also, petition of taxpayers and electors of vicinity of Lacota, county of Van Buren, State of Michigan, urging passage of Senate bill 4987; to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH: Memorial of the W. H. Mullins Co., Salem, Ohio, protesting against 10 per cent tax on manufacture of motor boats; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. OSBORNE: Petition of California Walnut Growers' Association, for the restoration of the railroads of the United States to their owners; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, petition of State Normal School, San Jose, Cal., in favor of the establishment of a department of education; to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. POLK: Resolutions of State Grange of Delaware, favoring stamping out of organizations inimical to best interest of country, or which advocate revolution, preach sedition, etc., and also against Government ownership; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, resolutions of Central Labor Union of Wilmington, Del., favoring league of nations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. RAKER: Resolutions by the National Automobile Association, asking Congress for an additional appropriation to broaden the work of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, resolution by the officers and members of Roosevelt Camp, No. 9, urging the passage of H. R. 13195, to prevent the display of disloyal flags; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROBBINS: Resolution of Allied Irish-American Societies and friends, of Pittsburgh and vicinity, favoring the principle of self-determination for Ireland; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, resolutions of trustees of Pennsylvania State Normal School, Indiana, Pa., in favor of Senate bill 4987; to the Committee on Education.

Also, resolutions of faculty of Pennsylvania State Normal School, Indiana, Pa., in favor of Senate bill 4987; to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. WARD: Petition from Harold I. Stecher, of Monticello, N. Y., and others, expressing opposition to H. R. 13159 without a full and free hearing; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, December 24, 1918.

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, our Heavenly Father, pour out upon these, Thy servants, abundantly of Thy substance, to uphold, sustain, and guide them through the Congressional duties of this day; that they may be worthy in Thy sight of the trust reposed in them, by the people who have called them to do their work; and Thine be the praise through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Waldorf, its enrolling clerk, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment, joint resolution of the following title:

Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 372) to amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 78, approved October 5, 1917, entitled Joint Resolution to suspend requirements of the annual assessment work on mining claims during the year 1917 and 1918.

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED.

Mr. LAZARO, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had examined and found truly enrolled joint resolution of the following title, when the Speaker signed the same:

H. J. Res. 372. Joint resolution to amend Senate joint resolution numbered 78, approved October 5, 1917, entitled, "Joint resolution to suspend requirements of the annual assessment work on mining claims during the years 1917 and 1918."

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the following titles:

S. 4924. An act to amend section 336 of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the annual report on the statistics of commerce and navigation of the United States with foreign countries.

S. 3299. An act authorizing the President to reappoint Maj. Chalmers G. Hall, retired, to the active list of the Army.

ORDER OF BUSINESS—ADJOURNMENTS OVER.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet on Friday, and that when it adjourns on Friday it adjourn to meet on Monday following, and that when we adjourn on that Monday we adjourn to meet Thursday, January 2.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from North Carolina asks unanimous consent that when the House adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet next Friday, and that when it adjourns on Friday it adjourn to meet Monday thereafter, and when it adjourns Monday it adjourn to meet on Thursday thereafter.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I want to add another item: With the understanding that no business shall be transacted except the filing of reports by committees of the House and sending the revenue bill to conference.

Mr. MADDEN. I object to the revenue bill going to conference until we have a definite understanding about what is in it and have an opportunity to read it. It may be that we may want an independent vote on some of the items.

Mr. MANN. The gentleman is not asking to have it sent to conference.

Mr. KITCHIN. I am not asking that now.

Mr. MANN. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, the gentleman, I suppose, means by filing reports that the Committee on Appropriations will have the opportunity to report bills.

Mr. KITCHIN. I mean these reports that will be required to be presented to the full House.

Mr. MANN. As to the revenue bill, does the gentleman know when that is likely to be over, whether it is likely to be over from the Senate to-day?

Mr. KITCHIN. No; it will not come over to-day. I have inquired about that.

Mr. MANN. The gentleman will expect it, then, probably, on Friday?

Mr. KITCHIN. Yes. My intention then is to ask unanimous consent to send the bill to conference on Friday.

Mr. MANN. I asked the gentleman that question so that Members may know on what day the gentleman will probably make his request.

Mr. SIMS. Before the revenue bill is sent to conference we will have to disagree to the Senate amendments. Suppose we want to concur in some of the Senate amendments?

Mr. MANN. The request, of course, will be by unanimous consent. An objection would carry it over until after New Year's Day.

Mr. SIMS. An objection would send it to the committee.

Mr. MANN. In any event it will be after New Year's. It could not be called up for action in the House under the request of the gentleman, but by unanimous consent on Thursday, after New Year's Day.

Mr. KITCHIN. It will only be done if there is a full House.

Mr. COOPER of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman from North Carolina if there is a certainty when that conference report comes up that there will be an opportunity for the House to vote upon the child labor amendment?

Mr. KITCHIN. If there is a person in the House who demands it, of course I imagine that the gentleman could object to it going to conference unless I should agree that it would not be brought back to the House without giving the House an opportunity to have that right.

Mr. BARKLEY. What is the object of adjourning over from Monday to Thursday of next week? The Members will all be back, will they not?

Mr. KITCHIN. That is based on the idea that the Senate will not transact business until then and the appropriation bills will not be ready.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from North Carolina makes an addendum to his unanimous consent request, that no business will be transacted pending these three-day recesses, except that committees will be permitted to file reports, such committees as make direct reports from the floor. Is there objection?

Mr. McFADDEN. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, I want to say to the gentleman that I want to ask unanimous consent for five minutes' time.

Mr. KITCHIN. My request is that when we adjourn to-day it shall be to meet on certain days, and that nothing will be transacted on those days. That does not shut off anybody this morning from asking unanimous consent for anything.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE.

Mr. McFADDEN. Mr. Speaker, I want to ask unanimous consent to proceed for five minutes.

Mr. OLIVER of Alabama. Mr. Speaker—

Mr. COOPER of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. COOPER of Wisconsin. I was not in the Chamber when the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. KITCHIN] made his request. Was there included in the motion, or request, any reference to the conference report on the revenue bill?

The SPEAKER. There was some talk about it on the floor, but there was not any request made about it.

Mr. KITCHIN. The request was that no business should be transacted except the filing of reports of committees of the House and taking up the question of sending the revenue bill to conference.

Mr. MANN. And the right to ask unanimous consent to send it to conference.

Mr. KITCHIN. I will have to do that at the time, but no other unanimous consent request will be considered on those days except that and the filing of reports—the business connected with the filing of reports.

Mr. COOPER of Wisconsin. When that conference report comes up I hope an opportunity will be afforded to the House to vote upon the child-labor amendment.

The SPEAKER. That request has not come over yet. The Chair will see that the agreement is carried out.

Mr. McFADDEN. Mr. Speaker, if I have the floor—

Mr. OLIVER of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman permit an interruption for one moment?

Mr. WINGO. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, I would like to know upon what subject the gentleman from Pennsylvania desires to speak.

Mr. McFADDEN. On the subject of the proposed investigation of the Bureau of War-Risk Insurance.

Mr. WINGO. I think the gentleman had better wait, others wish to be heard—better wait until after Christmas, then—

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

Mr. WINGO. I object, for the present.

Mr. McFADDEN. I make the point of no quorum.

Mr. BAER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the Record.

Mr. McFADDEN. Mr. Speaker, I understand the gentleman from Arkansas withdraws the point of no quorum.

Mr. BAER. I ask unanimous consent, Mr. Speaker, to extend my remarks in the Record.

Mr. MADDEN. I make the point of no quorum.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Illinois makes the point of no quorum. The Chair will count. [After counting.] One hundred and two Members present—not a quorum.

Mr. WINGO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to make a short statement.

Mr. MADDEN. I object.

Mr. SMALL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent, if the gentleman from Illinois will withdraw his point of no quorum, that the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. McFADDEN] have five minutes.

The SPEAKER. It is too late; it can not be done. There are 102 Members present—not a quorum.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I move a call of the House.

The motion was agreed to.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Members failed to answer to their names:

Anthony	Dyer	Kettner	Rowland
Ashbrook	Eagan	Key, Ohio	Rucker
Ayres	Edmonds	Kieess, Pa.	Russell
Bacharach	Kilsworth	Knutson	Sabath
Bankhead	Emerson	Kraus	Sanders, Ia.
Bell	Essen	Kreider	Sanders, N. Y.
Benson	Estopinal	LaGuardia	Sanford
Beshlin	Fairchild, B. L.	Lampert	Saunders, Va.
Black	Fairchild, G. W.	Langley	Scott, Iowa.
Blackmon	Farr	Larsen	Scott, Mich.
Bland, Ind.	Ferris	Lazaro	Scott, Pa.
Bowers	Fess	Lee, Ga.	Scully
Brand	Flood	Leibach	Sells
Britten	Flynn	Leshner	Shackleford
Brodbeck	Focht	Linthicum	Shouse
Browne	Fordney	Littlepage	Siegel
Browning	Francis	London	Sinnott
Burroughs	Freeman	Loneragan	Sisson
Butler	Fuller, Mass.	Longworth	Slayden
Byrnes, S. C.	Gallagher	Luffkin	Smith, Idaho
Caldwell	Gallivan	Luna	Smith, Mich.
Campbell, Pa.	Gandy	McAndrews	Smith, Charles B.
Candler, Miss.	Gard	McClintic	Smith, Thomas F.
Caraway	Garland	McCulloch	Snyder
Carew	Garner	McKeown	Stafford
Carlin	Gillett	McKinley	Stearns
Carter, Mass.	Glynn	McLaughlin, Pa.	Steele
Carter, Okla.	Goodwin, N. C.	Magee	Stephens, Miss.
Chandler, N. Y.	Good	Maher	Stephens, Nebr.
Church	Goodall	Martin	Sterling
Clark, Fla.	Goodwin, Ark.	Mason	Stiness
Clark, Pa.	Graham, Ill.	Mays	Strong
Cleary	Graham, Pa.	Merritt	Sullivan
Coady	Gray, N. J.	Miller, Minn.	Swift
Connally, Tex.	Greene, Mass.	Moon	Switzer
Cooper, Ohio	Gregg	Moore, Pa.	Tague
Cooper, W. Va.	Griest	Morin	Temple
Copley	Griffin	Mott	Templeton
Costello	Hamill	Mudd	Thomas
Cox	Hamilton, N. Y.	Neely	Tilson
Crago	Haskell	Nelson, A. P.	Tinkham
Crosser	Haugen	Nelson, J. M.	Van Dyke
Currie, Mich.	Hayes	Nicholls, S. C.	Vare
Curry, Cal.	Heaton	Nichols, Mich.	Vestal
Dale, N. Y.	Heflin	Norton	Voigt
Dale, Vt.	Heintz	Oliver, N. Y.	Waldon
Dallinger	Helm	O'Shaunessy	Walsh
Darrow	Hensley	Paige	Wason
Davey	Holland	Park	Watson, Pa.
Davis	Hood	Parker, N. J.	Watson, Va.
Decker	Houston	Parker, N. Y.	Webb
Delaney	Humphreys	Porter	Welty
Dempsey	Husted	Pratt	White, Ohio
Dewalt	Hutchinson	Price	Williams
Dies	Ireland	Purnell	Wilson, Ill.
Dominick	Johnson, S. Dak.	Rainey, John W.	Wise
Donovan	Jones	Ramsey	Woods, Iowa
Dooling	Juul	Riordan	Woodward
Doughton	Kearns	Roberts	Wright
Drane	Kehoe	Robinson	Young, N. Dak.
Drukner	Kelley, Mich.	Rose	Zihlman
Dunn	Kennedy, R. I.	Rowe	

Mr. SMALL. Mr. Speaker, pending the announcement of the call I ask unanimous consent to address the House for one minute.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman can not ask unanimous consent but he can go on and make his statement.

Mr. SMALL. I want to say that if this roll call shall develop that there is no quorum present I will move to go into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union on the river and harbor bill, on January 2, which I assume will be the earliest date that I can do that.

Mr. MANN. The gentleman knows that there will be no quorum present on that date.

Mr. SMALL. I will make the motion at that time and I do not think there will be any objection.

The SPEAKER. On this roll call 185 Members have answered to their names, not a quorum.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 38 minutes p. m.), the House, under its previous order, adjourned until Friday, December 27, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred to as follows:

1. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a deficiency estimate of appropriation, submitted by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in charge of the customs service, for the payment of expenses of laborers at the port of New York engaged in guarding German and Austrian vessels from February to August, 1917, inclusive (H. Doc. No. 1614); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

2. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a communication from the Secretary of Commerce, submitting a supplemental estimate of appropriation required by the Department of Commerce for the reclamation of waste materials, fiscal year 1920 (H. Doc. No. 1615); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. DENT: Resolution (H. Res. 484) providing a special rule for the consideration of H. R. 13274; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. OLDFIELD: A bill (H. R. 13497) to supplement an act of Congress approved October 5, 1918 (Public, No. 220), and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, from the funds appropriated by said act, to determine, adjust, and pay losses sustained by investments preparatory to production of war minerals mentioned in said act; to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. FOSTER: A bill (H. R. 13498) to supplement an act of Congress approved October 5, 1918 (Public, No. 220), and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, from the funds appropriated by said act, to determine, adjust, and pay losses sustained by investments preparatory to production of war minerals mentioned in said act; to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. DENT: A bill (H. R. 13499) making permanent the rank of general and lieutenant general in the Army and providing that when one of those officers vacate his commission the office shall lapse; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. RODENBERG: A bill (H. R. 13500) to amend an act entitled "An Act to authorize the establishment of a Bureau of War Risk Insurance in the Treasury Department" approved September 2, 1914, as amended by the act approved October 6, 1917; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. DENTON: A bill (H. R. 13501) to repeal so much of sections 7 and 14 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the President to increase temporarily the Military Establishment of the United States, approved May 17, 1917, as impose restrictions upon enlistments in the Regular Army; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. ROGERS: A bill (H. R. 13502) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Stow, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, A bill (H. R. 13503) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Tewksbury, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, A bill (H. R. 13504) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Tyngsboro, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, A bill (H. R. 13505) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Westford, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13506) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Wilmington, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13507) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Bolton, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13508) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Harvard, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13509) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Northboro, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13510) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Groton, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13511) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Dunstable, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13512) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Carlisle, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13513) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Chelmsford, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13514) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Concord, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13515) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Dracut, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13516) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Boxboro, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13517) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Burlington, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13518) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Lincoln, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13519) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Littleton, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13520) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Maynard, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13521) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Berlin, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13522) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Reading, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13523) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Shirley, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13524) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Pepperell, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13525) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the city of Woburn, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13526) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the city of Methuen, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13527) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Bedford, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13528) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Ayer, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13529) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Acton, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13530) authorizing the Secretary of War to donate to the town of Billerica, Mass., one German cannon or fieldpiece; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. COX: A bill (H. R. 13531) granting a pension to Charles Ingle; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. DOOLITTLE: A bill (H. R. 13532) granting an increase of pension to Milton St. John; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOSTER: A bill (H. R. 13533) granting a pension to Lurania Reynolds; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FULLER of Illinois: A bill (H. R. 13534) granting an increase of pension to Thomas F. Duffy; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HAMLIN: A bill (H. R. 13535) granting a pension to Mattie P. Jackson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. JACOWAY: A bill (H. R. 13536) authorizing the Postmaster General to cancel or readjust the screen-wagon contract of H. L. McFarlin at Little Rock, Ark.; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13537) granting an increase of pension to Edward S. Banister; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. LEA of California: A bill (H. R. 13538) granting an increase of pension to Charles E. Kingsley; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. MANN: A bill (H. R. 13539) granting a pension to Joseph F. Feld; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. RAMSEYER: A bill (H. R. 13540) for the relief of Mary J. McGlothlen; to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. RANDALL: A bill (H. R. 13541) granting an increase of pension to Orin H. Mathews; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RUBEY: A bill (H. R. 13542) granting an increase of pension to James H. Wendt; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RUSSELL of Missouri: A bill (H. R. 13543) granting a pension to Nancy C. Sloan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WELTY: A bill (H. R. 13544) granting a pension to Mary C. Marshall; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13545) granting a pension to Joseph A. Beckmeyer; to the Committee on Pensions.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, the following petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. DALE: Petition of Joint Board, Furriers' Union of Greater New York, protesting against tax of 10 per cent on furs; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of Dubois Watch Case Co., of Brooklyn, N. Y., expressing emphatic objection to excise taxes on commodities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of Gimmel Manufacturing Co., of Brooklyn, N. Y., objecting to proposed increase tax on commodities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of Goldsmith, Stern & Co., of New York, protesting against excise tax on jewelry; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ESCH: Resolutions by citizens in Fox River Valley of Wisconsin, urging Congress to support measure for League of Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, resolutions by the president, secretary, and treasurer of the Omaha Railway Lodge, No. 239, asking retention of railroads under Government control; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. FULLER of Illinois: Papers to accompany a bill, granting an increase of pension to Thomas F. Duffy; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GALLIVAN: Petition of citizens of Sudbury, Mass., favoring a League of Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

SENATE.

THURSDAY, December 26, 1918.

The Chaplain, Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we come before Thee in the name of the Prince of Peace. We come to worship Thee under the sense of our infinite debt of gratitude for Thine unspeakable gift. We bless Thee that at last the world has laid down its arms for the profound peace that for once in the centuries has wrapped the life of the world. We thank Thee that not only have men come to recognize the rights of men, but that there are supreme in the world to-day the ideals of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. We bless Thee that those who make peace are being guided by the spirit of Christ, and we pray that there shall not only be established a peace of righteousness and justice, but one of personal devotion to Him that leads the world to peace and to God.

Grant us Thy blessing to-day. Guide us in the discharge of the duties that are upon us, that with unity of purpose and with personal devotion to the Savior of men we may so perform our duties as that there may be established now and forever the

reign of the Prince of Peace among men. For Christ's sake. Amen.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of the proceedings of the legislative day of Sunday, December 15, 1918, when, on motion of Mr. SWANSON and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY.

Mr. SWANSON. I move that when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourn to meet on Monday next.

The motion was agreed to.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. CURTIS presented resolutions adopted by the First District Appeal Board of the State of Kansas, favoring the issuing of brevet commissions to members of draft boards, which were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. KENYON presented resolutions adopted by the Retailers' Association of Fort Dodge, Iowa, favoring the boycotting of German-made goods, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. TOWNSEND presented a petition of Valley City Lodge, No. 789, Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America, of Grand Rapids, Mich., praying for the extension of five years of Government control of railroads, which was referred to the Committee on Interstate Commerce.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION.

Mr. SMITH of Georgia, from the Committee on Education and Labor, to which was referred the bill (S. 4922) to provide for the promotion of vocational rehabilitation of persons disabled in industry or otherwise and their return to civil employment, reported it with amendments and submitted a report (No. 630) thereon.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED.

Bills and a joint resolution were introduced, read the first time, and, by unanimous consent, the second time, and referred as follows:

By Mr. SHEPPARD:

A bill (S. 5235) to amend a joint resolution entitled "A joint resolution to authorize the President, in time of war, to supervise or take possession and assume control of any telegraph, telephone, marine cable, or radio system or systems or any part thereof and to operate the same in such manner as may be needful or desirable for the duration of the war, and to provide just compensation therefor," approved July 16, 1918; to the Committee on Interstate Commerce.

By Mr. HITCHCOCK:

A bill (S. 5236) to amend sections 7, 10, and 11 of the Federal reserve act and section 5172, Revised Statutes of the United States; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. CURTIS:

A bill (S. 5237) donating captured cannon and cannon balls to the John Brown Memorial Park, Osawatomie, Kans.;

A bill (S. 5238) donating captured cannon and cannon balls to the Great Bend Memorial Association, Great Bend, Kans.;

and
A bill (S. 5239) donating captured cannon and cannon balls to the Mount Auburn Cemetery Co., Topeka, Kans.; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (S. 5240) granting an increase of pension to Zephaniah Roberts (with accompanying papers); to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. TOWNSEND:

A bill (S. 5241) granting a pension to George Forker (with accompanying papers); and

A bill (S. 5242) granting a pension to Georgia M. Hodgson (with accompanying papers); to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. KENYON:

A bill (S. 5243) granting an increase of pension to Asa L. Bushnell (with accompanying papers);

A bill (S. 5244) granting an increase of pension to Perry Strayer (with accompanying papers); and

A bill (S. 5245) granting an increase of pension to John V. Kearns (with accompanying papers); to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. TRAMMELL (for Mr. WILLIAMS):

A bill (S. 5246) authorizing the appointment of an ambassador to the Republic of Peru; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. TRAMMELL (for Mr. WILLIAMS):

A joint resolution (S. J. Res. 202) requesting the Commission of Fine Arts to submit to the Congress certain suggestions (with accompanying paper); to the Committee on the Library.

FREEDOM OF IRELAND.

Mr. PHELAN. I introduce a joint resolution and ask that it be read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.